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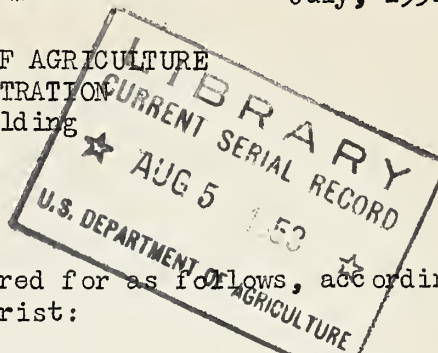
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9.2 Gardens which have been flooded should be cared for as follows, according to Mr. William G. Amstein, Extension Horticulturist:

POTATOES - In southern and eastern Kansas the potatoes should be about mature enough to keep. If water did not stay on them until they are rotted they should be dug as early as possible and stored correctly.

If immature vines and potatoes were washed free of part of the dirt but the vines are still healthy, put back some dirt so potatoes will not sunburn and let them finish growing.

If vines are water soaked or torn away, salvage what you can. As a last resort, with most of the crop lost, the smaller immature potatoes will keep if canned. Dig at once and can as follows:

POTATOES - NEW, IRISH

Wash, scrape and rinse freshly dug new potatoes. Boil 5 minutes. Pack into hot jars. Add one teaspoon salt to each quart. Cover with boiling water. Process 40 minutes at 10 pounds pressure.

TOMATOES - Tomato plants not completely covered with water until they are rotted, should be cleaned out, mulched or staked. If leaf spot appears they should be sprayed with copper sprays.

FALL GARDEN - Fall gardens, which should be planted the last of July and early part of August, should include: Radishes, lettuce, late beets, late carrots, green beans, late cabbage, cauliflower, late spinach, kale and turnips. There is still time to have a garden.

CANNED FOOD - Home canned food which has been under water is safe to use as long as the seal hasn't been broken. Tin cans of food that open with the usual sucking-in of air are safe. Mold may appear on the jar rings without any harm if the basement stays damp.

SANITATION - Any well which has been under flood water should be tested before drinking, even if it is a sealed well. All open wells and cisterns will be contaminated and must be pumped out and walls washed down with a chlorine solution. Local or county health offices can advise you on what kind of a solution to use in washing down and decontaminating walls of a well.

Age Group	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020
0-14	25	22	18	15	12	10
15-24	15	16	17	18	19	20
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